WHEELING, WEST VA., MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 27, 1879.

# The Intelligencer.

Chicago School Board recently, about the teaching of German in the schools, One, member declares that in the more than west Virginia Lagislature duced into the schools, the instruction in has had a steady and unbroken decline, In November last the average number of grammar pupils taking German was but

THE New York Post remarks that "the duction of the rates at which the governally has had the effect of increasing the of first-class investments of other ties, that pay seven to ten per cent are owering in the market to figures that a few years ago would have been thought

Will Not Vote for Tom Scott's Pa-

Washington, January 22, 1879. Hon. Geo. H. Moffett, Speaker of the House of Delegates of West Virginia:

My Dear Sir:—I learn by a dispatch in the newspapers with some surprise, that our Legislaure has passed a resolution instructing the Senatora and requesting the Reprosentatives to yole for the Texas Pacific Railroad Subsidy bill. I am so confident that this must have been done inadvertently, or at least upon a very imperfect knowledge of the facts, that I venture to address you in regard to two or three points on the general subject, in the hope that you at least may not allow this decision to stand without a better understanding of the questions involved.

Prist I'lt should be known to our pople that the Texas Pacific bill, as reported MY DEAR SIR:-I learn by a dispatch in

Pirst Fut should be known to our peo-ple that the Texas Pacific bill, as reported from committee, calls for the endorsement of the United States upon a minimum amount of \$38,750,000 of the bonds of that amount of \$39,750,000 of the bonds of that company, running fifty years, and bearing five per cent. interest in gold, thus binding the Treasury to pay out to capitalists \$1,937,500 in gold annunally, or an aggregate of nearly \$97,000,000 in all, for interest. The bonds are upon 1,400 miles of road, and are at the rate of \$20,000 per mile for the easy portion and \$35,000 per mile for the easy portion of the route. This is more than enough to build and equip the road at the present low prices of labor and material, and it will leave a large profit to the builders without requiring them to put in another dollar of their own money.

Pennsylvania R. R. Co. and of several tribu-tary concerns between Pittsburgh and St. Louis, is also the President and chief manis allies control both the Atlantic and Pa

instance, the San Francisco end of this 32nd parallel road across the continent, was originally required to be built by a

The tentement to Whom is Due the Credit. It is evidently not of this class. On the business of building railroads, private failures of the bus

Some three others. The system being this discovered, the rest were found more rapidly. The last was discovered by but gentlemen on the same evening, the one working at Liuchfield, Ct., the other at Loglerood, New Jersey. Each immediately transmitted the news of their success to the Tribune office, and the two letters samily man John H. Hobison, and registrated within an hour of each other. The rest were distincted by the same state of the same over the result of the National Capital Life Insurance Company, in repleying property of said company in Washington, came in possess to the National Capital Life Insurance for the defines and the admission of Mrs. Combes The Company in Washington, came in possess to the prisoner. The present of the prisoner. The present was taken unstanted by the same of the same translation, however, belongs also within an hour of each other. The motives admissing the whipping post in San Prancisco, January 28.—Receiver means to the prisoner. The present the prisoner. The present at translation, however, belongs about the standard production of 1875, to see the same of be introduced. The motives actualing the actual related by the matter and the mat

### BY TELEGRAPH.

TO THE DAILY INTELLIGENCER

# **GENERAL NEWS**

The New Pension Bill a Fat Thing For the Soldiers.

The Proposed Change in the Indian Bureau.

Missouri Lunatic Asylum Totally Destroyed.

Washington, January 25.—The Senate inance Committee has decided to report

WASHINGTON, JANUARY 26.—The report of the four members of the Joint Committee of the two Houses of Congress, who favor the transfer of the management of Indian affairs from the Interior to the War Department, has just been completed by Representative Boons, and will be submitted to the House at the first oppontunity.

There is one point in the pension arrears, bill which, it is shought, will probably be referred by the Interior Department for construction from the Department for construction from the Department for The pensions which the soldiers were originally paid. As Congress has changed the rate several times and the latest applicants originally received the largest pensions, the man who gets pensioned now gets a heavy sum in arrearages. The totally disabled man originally got eight dollars per month, now he gets seventy-two. The question then in case of a totally disabled new pensioner is whether he be

ase of clerks and that agencies shall be re-

had a writing prepared, which he read, to the effect that he had been offered \$500 to vote for Johnson. Representative Barnett said he felt authorized in saying that the

statement was false.
Senator Mitchell, of Hempstead, demanded the name of the offerer of the bribe. Representative Fishback moved to

### A KENTUCKY JAMBOREE.

nce for the Grand Jury to Get It. SHELBY Crry, Ky., January 26 .- At the

emocratic primary election held here yesterday to nominate a representative and jailer, bad whisky for a time got the best of reason and, as usual, resulted in a street fight that for downright pure cussed ness beat anything ever witnessed in this

A white man by the name of Geo, Phil lips got into a difficulty with a negro named John Givens and fired two shot 

The negroes were of the impression that Phillips was being helped out of town by his friends, and no sooner heard that he was on the stage than they made a rush for it. The driver, Lee Withrow, took in the situation at a glance and put his horses down to a dead run for salety and Danville. The stage, being heavily loaded with passengers and baggage, it was a tight race and was kept for a half mile, when the negroes gave it up as a bad job. They then came back to town and with a lot of drunken whites from the Knobs made things lively. They were

thing is quiet.

There were enough implements of wa produced during the first stage of the fight to have sufficiently stocked a youngarny. The grand jury can get in its worl to a good advantage and will undoubted by deep.

MISSOURI LUNATIC ASYLUM

St. Louis, January 25.-A St. Joseph dispatch says that the State Lunatic Asy

reported the walls injured not more than one-fourth their value, and that it will not cost more than \$75,000 to rebuild the struc-ture. The original cost of the building

of gold and silver; to procure the unlimited coinage of the latter, and to the all in their power to effect the repeal of the National Banking Law, and the retirement of National notes. The resolution was laid over under the rule.

OHIO LEGISLATURE.

eler; Smith & Murray, dry goods; Andrew Own, and the power of the National power of the National Cavernor, millinery; C. H. Smith, stationers, and the process of the National notes. The resolution was erry; Geo. W. Sloat, boots and shoes. Loss \$50,000; insurance \$30,000. A heavy gale prevailed.

COLLIERY ON FIRE.

HARMSBURE, Jahuary 26.—A fire broke out last night in the tunnel level of Summit Branch Colliery, Williamstown, and penetrated to the mine. The fire is still burning, but said to be under control. Between five and six hundred hands are employed in the works. No lives lost.

this afternoon. To-night he was found by lying in the road with his skull fractured. It is not known whether the wound was caused by a gun shot or by falling from the ambulance. His condition is critical. The wound cannot be examined to-night. The wound cannot be examined to-night. The wound cannot be examined to-night would have been annihilated. Adjourned. In would have been annihilated. Adjourned. In the form Old Camp and reported being fired at by a party concealed in a ravine. It is the highest than the form of the highest companies A. B. D. F. I and M. of the Fifth Cavalry, under Capt. Ferris, arrived there to-day. They leave in the morning for Sand Hills, where Little Wolf and a band of two hundred Cheyennes are reported to be.

NORWICH, CONN., January 20.—At the Superior Court resterday, counsel pre-

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

FOUL PLAY.

Attempt to Destroy the Books is the Gas Office.

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The Books Saturated With Oil and Set on Fire,

But Rescued From the Flames by the Police.

The usual crowd of Sunday night foiterers about town were startled last night by a report that an attempt had been made to destroy the books at the gas office, and as the report gained credence it became the theme of excited conversation in all quarters. Quite a crowd assembled on 12th street, in the vicinity of the gas office, anxious to obtain what information was afloat concerning the outrage, and the city building was visited by many, in the hope

Year or more; that he had not attended to his work properly, and for that reason had been transferred to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to street duty, in attending to lamps, etc., at clower wages. He refused to lamps, etc., at clower w

morning.

The rumor was not without foundation. About twenty minutes past nine o'clock Mr. Thomas McNabb, while passing the gas office, noticed flames issuing from the back part of the front room. Mr. McNabb ran to the city building and gave the alarm, and found there Captain Porter Smith and Officers Flyna and Short The Smith and Officers Flynn and Short. The latter sent in an alarm from the box in the Sergeant's office, calling out the department, and accompanied by Flynn, went immediately to the gas office. The front door of the gas office is double, and the lower door was found partly open by the officers. Short and Flynn entered the office, and found that the flames were issuing from a pile of books on the counter. With great difficulty, and at considerable risk, they succeeded in extinguishing the or their in the midst of the books. A fine silk handkerchief, which had perhaps been used to wipe the hands of the incendiary, as it appears quite greasy, was also found on the counter.

In the meanwhile the fire department had arrived at the scene, and with the stock. Vigilant steamer came Mayor Sweeney, he from who is separally among the first at the

the investigation.

As already stated, the front door of the office was found partially open. The door in the rear was open. The door in the rear was closed, and a heavy iron bar across the inside prevented ingress in that direction. It seemed clear, therefore, that the party who had undertaken to destroy the records at the gas office had entered by the front door, which was fastened with a Yale lock, and that he had opened the door with a key, and in his haste to leave after getting his bonfire under way had left the door but partially closed. A light in the room in the rear had been left burning, and in front a light immediately over the Secretary's desk had been turned down low. The door of the safe was sligktly open, and the remainder of the Secretary's books, consisting of ledger, journal, daybook, cash book, bank book, check book, etc., were found in the safe in good condition.

safe in good condition.

Mr. Andrew King, an employe at the gas office, was present during the examination of the premises, and the writer had a few moments' conversation with him in regard to the matter. When asked THE RENO INQUILY.

CHICAGO, January 25.—In the Reno inquiry to-day Captain Maylan testified that he believed it was a wise move for Reno to leave the timber, and necessary for the preservation of the command. In picking up the dead bodies of Custer's men after the massacre, evidence appeared of desperate fighting. He saw nothing cowardly in Reno's conduct. Had he charged on the Indians or romained in the timber, he would have been annihilated. Adjourned M'KILLOP4 CO. Mr. Maxwell had been in the habit, when making collections, of depositing his money in Mr. Edmund Bocking's safe. They had not been in the habit of looking the safe, as no money was kept in it night. The oil can found on the counter, Mr. King explained, belonged in the office, and was filled whenever oil was wanted for the lamps in the office.

Mr. King was asked if Mr. Maxwell was aware of what had taken place, and replied that ho was. When the alarm was first given, Mr. King had gone to the office and ascertained the character of the damage, after which he went to Mr. Maxwell's residence and acquainted him with the circumstances. Mr. King knew of only the proposed of the control of the

Cavalry leave for their respective stations early next week, leaving juit two companys of the first of the Salamary 20.—Receiver Russell of the Salamary 20.—Re

\$50 per month is good pay. The city

Then a reduction in the other officers of Presonal Mention.—President Ritchie, of the Washington & Waynesburg Narrow Gauge Road, registered at the St. James on Saturday.

H. C. Simms, a promising young attor-

ey of Huntington, is spendir

House, on the 3d prox.

Mr. John McCullough, the eminent tragedian, will appear at the Opera House as Lear and Virginius before the close of

sergeants is without any foundation ever. He proposes to make the ap-pointments himself, and will endeavor to choose such men as will be acceptable to

I desire, Mr. Editor, to call the attention of Council to the foregoing reductions, believing that a saving of ten thousand dollars can be effected without doing an injustice to any of the officers of the city. Now then, having accomplished the above result, we would say to Council, pay out the amountse oaved as follows, viz. When Council makes the annual levy in May, make it 40c on the \$100 for general purposes and 10c on the \$100 for street paving purposes. You will then get a street paving fund without the passage of the so-called paving bill now before the Legislature, which must become ineffectual (1) because it will cause litigation, and (2) be.

### TELEGRAPHIC DROPS.

Erance has advised the Porte to cer Paris journals publish reports from Constantinople that the Sultan is ill.

The Afghan troops at Cabul have bee withdrawn to Sheralf to check desertion

show by their report that considerable money is due to the city for back rents. Some is due by parties who have been in the employ of the city for years and have drawn their pay regularly from the

Jos. B. Weiler, of Belleville, Ont., wa arrested at Buffalo, last night, charged wit defrauding merchants out of \$31,000. Wright and Johns, the two convicted

orty students are still under arrest at hardfulf. The university will remain losed until February 13.

Albert C. Andrews and Jas. W. Colting, of Boston, have been arrested on the tharge of conspiracy to defraud merchants out of property, valued at about \$32,000, andrews has been doing business in that

The International Sanitary Committee

Breaking Up the Ice at St. Louis.
Sr. Louis, January 25.—The weather for the past few days has been so mild comparatively that the opening of the river here of \$4,000 to the Treasury which will be

revenue for general purposes \$14,000, a loss of \$4,000 to the Treasury which will be made up by a saving on repairs to streets when once paved. Then assess the reat and personal property of the city 10c on the \$100 for street paving purposes and and personal property of the city 10c on the \$100 for street paving purposes and street paving purposes and the harbor boat E. G. Smith, was set to work this afternoon breaking the ice below Chestnut street. She plowed her way down through the gorge and disappeared round the bend in the course of the course of the city 10c on the \$100 for street paving purposes and overward to as something in the \$100 for street paving purposes and overly year until your streets are all paved.

Measure S. Editors: I thank you for your intended, but hope the few suggestions worthy member of Council who will make an effort to bring the various matters referred to, to the attention of Council in proper form. Citizen and Taxaare.

The river is pretty well blocked between the and Carondelet, but the Smith will cut her way through to that point if possible, and, together with the transfer boat as gold and several turgs, will break up the entire gorge below here and open the water of Carondelet. This will enable steamers, barges and other crafts to obtain safer of the cory thick and dangerous fee of the gorge above the bridge a full and rapid movement through the harbor when it breaks, and thereby greatly lessen the risk and danger to property along the shore. breaks, and thereby greatly lessen the risk and danger to property along the shore.

## [By Telegraph.]

great importance to the citizens and tax Salaries, to be appointed soon, for the pur-

pose of fixing the salaries of the variou Council what are the salaries paid now as

Benwood, a girl employed as a domestic in the house of a gentleman at that place, gave birth to a child. Immediately after she threw the child into a cesspool, from which it was rescued barely alive, the cesswhich it was rescued barely alive, the copool being frozen. Some days previous girl was accused of being enciente by mistress, and denied the allegation, on being confronted with the living charconfessed. Thechild, we understand, been placed in good hands. No arrest

Mrs. Elizabeth Hancock, mother of Maj. Sen. Hancock, died at Morristown, Pa., Friday, aged 78 years.

poard, escaped to-night from the county all at Jacksonville, Fla.

while it costs only half as much to live;

Michigan Central. The Northwestern, St. Paul, Canada Southern, Illinois Central and could be a supermission of the upward movement. Among investment shares, Rhod Island, New York Central and Chicago & Alton were again higher on good demand. The closing dealings were characterized by greatering the model of the country o your paper for the purpose of offering a



Nsw York, January 25.—Cotton—Qui steady at 9 7-16a9 9-16c. Flour—Su; western and State \$3 25a3 50; common it \$3 00a3 90; good to choice \$3 95a4 50; wheat extra \$4 55a5 25; extra Ohio 5 00; St. Louis \$3 80a5 50. Wheat— 5 00; St. Louis \$3 80a5 50. Wheat—

will use the authority vested in them re-gardless of fear or favor. Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, January 25.—Business of the week ended has shown a decided increase inactivity, especially in staple cottons, the prices of which are generally firm. White Rock shirtings are now quiet. Printing cloths 

instruction of their works by meaning majority of the committee seem opposed the allowance of this class of claims.

to the allowance or this case of the the whole matter, however, was referred. War with a request that to the Secretary of War, with a request that he report upon the subject at the next session of Congress.

Financial and Commercial.

BY TELEGRAPH. New York Money and Stocks.

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New York, January 25.—Money—Market easy at 2a5 per cent, closing at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 35/a5 per cent. Sterling Exchange, Bankers' hith steady at 4.5, sight exchange on New York 4.87%.

GOVERNMENTS—Active.

United States God 1881; coupons
Pive-Twenties (1887).
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Ten-Forties (coupons).
Currecary State.

Toledo.

Tolego, January 25.—Wheat—Weak; No. 1 white Michigan 94½c; extra white Michigan 94½c; amber Michigan spot 94½c; No. 2 red winterspot and January 95½c; February 95½c; No. 3 red 91c; western amber 93½c. Corn-Dirn; No. 2 spot 52½c; seller May 36½c asked; 56½c bid. Oats—Quiet; No. 2, 22½c. Hogs—Weak; all weights \$5.80.

Petroleum Market. Privious January 25.—Privoleum—
Quiet; crude \$1:20 at Parkers for shipment; refined 8%c for Philadelphia delivery.
LONGON, January 25.—Privoleum—Refined 9%a9%c.

Cincinnati Hog Market. Cincinnati, January 25.—Hogs—St and firm; common \$2.75a3 20; light \$3 25a packing \$3 50a3 70; butchers \$3 70a3 80. ceipts 4,470 head; shipments 490.

CHARLES E. DWIGHT,

PRACTICAL CHEMIST,

Is prepared to make careful and complete analyses of Iron Ores, Limestones, Mineral Waters, etc. LABORATORY, COR. 24TH AND CHAPLINE STR. inis

Currency Sixes. 1954
RAILROAD BONDS—Strong.
Stars Bonns—Dull.
Stocks—The market, although less active
than yesterday, was nevertheless extremely
buoyant, and the upward movement in prices
was continued. The advance for the day
ranged from ½ to 23% per cent, the latter

P. 10 COFFEE-Two hundred bugs good to choice the late to Coffee, just received and for sale by dell M. REILLY,

WHERLING, W. VA